

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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Dear Federal Agency Environmental Executive:

OFFICE OF SOLID WASTE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE

I am writing to let you know that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will be posting your Agency's underground storage tank (UST) compliance report on our Web page at http://www.epa.gov/oust/fedlaws/fedfacrpt.htm. We will also be providing our regional offices and the states with state specific information from your reports. This is necessary because states need the information in your report to fulfill their reporting and inspection requirements under the Energy Policy Act of 2005 [P.L. 109-58]. The states must report to Congress and EPA on noncompliant local, state, and Federal government-owned and -operated underground storage tanks by August 8, 2007.

The Energy Policy Act also mandates new tank inspection deadlines that may affect your underground storage tanks. The Act stipulates that by August 8, 2007, EPA or states that receive funding under Subtitle I of the Solid Waste Disposal Act must inspect regulated underground storage tanks that have not been inspected since December 22, 1998. Once that is accomplished, EPA or states that receive Subtitle I funding must inspect all regulated underground storage tanks once every three years. Sharing your tank compliance data with the states will help them determine which tanks may need inspection.

If you have any questions about our making your data available on our Web page, please contact Steven McNeely of the Office of Underground Storage Tanks, (703) 603-7154 or mcneely.steven@epa.gov, or Melanie Garvey of the Federal Facilities Enforcement Office, (202) 564-2579 or garvey.melanie@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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